## TEXT MINING FOR GLOBAL TECHNOLOGY WATCH

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- HIGH-RISK HIGH-PAYOFF APPLICATIONS!

### WHAT IS TEXT MINING

- EXTRACTION OF INFORMATION FROM LARGE VOLUMES OF TEXT
  - COMPUTATIONAL LINGUISTICS
    - QUANTIFICATION OF TEXT ELEMENTS
    - PHRASE FREQUENCIES
    - PHRASE PROXIMITIES
    - DOCUMENT CLUSTERING
  - BIBLIOMETRICS
    - PERFORMERS
    - CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE

#### WHY IS TEXT MINING IMPORTANT

- GLOBAL S&T ~\$1 TRILLION/YR
- ORDERS OF MAGNITUDE GREATER THAN ANY AGENCY'S OR COMPANY S&T
- IMPORTANT TO MAINTAIN AWARENESS OF GLOBAL S&T
  - AVOID TECHNOLOGICAL SURPRISE
  - AVOID REDUNDANCY
  - ALLOWS COORDINATION, LEVERAGING, EXPLOITATION

### WHAT ARE SPECIFIC BENEFITS: COMPUTATIONAL LINGUISTICS

- ENHANCING INFORMATION RETRIEVAL AND INCREASING AWARENESS OF THE GLOBAL TECHNICAL LITERATURE
- POTENTIAL DISCOVERY AND INNOVATION BASED ON MERGING COMMON LINKAGES AMONG VERY DISPARATE LITERATURES
- UNCOVERING UNEXPECTED ASYMMETRIES FROM THE TECHNICAL LITERATURE
- ESTIMATING GLOBAL LEVELS OF EFFORT IN S&T SUB-DISCIPLINES
- TRACKING MYRIAD RESEARCH IMPACTS ACROSS TIME AND APPLICATIONS AREAS

# WHAT ARE SPECIFIC BENEFITS: BIBLIOMETRICS

- IDENTIFY THE INFRASTRUCTURE (AUTHORS, JOURNALS, INSTITUTIONS) OF A TECHNICAL DOMAIN
- IDENTIFY EXPERTS FOR INNOVATION-ENHANCING TECHNICAL WORKSHOPS AND REVIEW PANELS,
- DEVELOP SITE VISITATION STRATEGIES FOR ASSESSMENT OF PROLIFIC ORGANIZATIONS GLOBALLY,
- IDENTIFY IMPACTS (LITERATURE CITATIONS) OF INDIVIDUALS, RESEARCH UNITS, ORGANIZATIONS, AND COUNTRIES
- GENERATE EXTENSIVE BACKGROUND MATERIAL FOR RESEARCH PAPERS, AND FOR COMPREHENSIVE LITERATURE REVIEWS AND SURVEYS.

### LITERATURE-BASED DISCOVERY (LBD)

- REVOLUTIONARY TECHNOLOGIES
- DISRUPTIVE TECHNOLOGIES
- HIGH-RISK HIGH-PAYOFF TECHNOLOGIES
- NOVEL TECHNOLOGIES
- OUT-OF-THE-BOX THINKING
- LATERAL THINKING
- INNOVATIVE INITIATIVES
- DYNAMIC INITIATIVES

### LBD (CONT'D)

- MODERN S&T VERY SPECIALIZED
- RESEARCHERS VERY SPECIALIZED
- MANY LITERATURES DISJOINT
- SOME PROBLEMS REQUIRE SOLUTION FROM DISPARATE LITERATURES
- NEED SYSTEMATIC APPROACH TO INTEGRATE FINDINGS FROM DISPARATE LITERATURES

#### LBD-CONT'D

- LITERATURE-BASED DISCOVERY OFFERS POTENTIAL TO INTEGRATE DIAPARATE LITERATURES
- USES INTERMEDIATE LITERATURES TO RELATE DISPARATE LITERATURES
- COULD BE USED AS STAND-ALONE DISCOVERY GENERATOR
- COULD BE USED AS PRECURSOR TO WORKSHOP

### LBD-EXAMPLES

- INITIAL APPLICATION-RAYNAUD'S DISEASE (RD) RETRIEVED RD LITERATURE
- IDENTIFIED MAIN FEATURES OF RD
- RHEOLOGY, CLOTTING, VASOCONSTRICTION, ETC
- RETRIEVED TOTAL RHEOLOGY LITERATURE
- **EXAMINED NON-RD RECORDS**
- IDENTIFIED FISH OIL, EICOSAPENTANOIC ACID AS POSSIBLE TREATMENTS FOR RD
- VERIFIED BY CLINICAL/ LABORATORY TESTS

### LBD EXAMPLES CONT'D

- LATER APPLICATION-BIOWARFARE AGENT PREDICTION
- IDENTIFIED TWO MAJOR CHARACTERISTICS OF BIOWARFARE AGENTS
  - LETHALITY/ PATHOGENICITY
  - SURVIVABILITY/ TRANSMISSIBILITY
- RETRIEVED LITERATURE FOR EACH CHARACTERISTIC
- FOUND LITERATURES DISJOINT
- IDENTIFIED VIRUSES ADDRESSED IN BOTH LITERATURES
- SOME EXISTING AGENTS; OTHERS POTENTIAL NEW AGENTS

### **SUMMARY**

- GLOBAL S&T AWARENESS IMPORTANT
- TEXT MINING PROVIDES AWARENESS BASED ON DOCUMENTATION
- LITERATURE-BASED DISCOVERY COULD OFFER BASIS FOR NEW RESEARCH DIRECTIONS